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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Precedence: ROUTINE **Date:** 01/09/1997

To: ADIC, WFO

From: SA [redacted] b6 b7C
Squad C-5
Contact: SA [redacted]

Approved By: [redacted]

Drafted By: [redacted]

Case ID #: 29B-WF-ZERO (Closed)

Title: CHARLES L. BARTLETT
MELLON BANK - VICTIM
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OO: WFO

Synopsis: Initial contacts regarding captioned matter. It is requested this matter be indexed for the zero file and not opened.

Details: On 12/19/96, SA [redacted] met with [redacted] residence: [redacted] Washington, D.C., telephone number: [redacted] pager number: [redacted] date of birth: [redacted] Social Security Account Number: [redacted] b6 b7C EVA SCOTT had recently died (11/30/96) and he has come across documentation which suggests SCOTT may not have received money from a trust fund that she was entitled to.

SCOTT had been a housekeeper to EDWARD WEINTAL many years ago. Upon WEINTAL's death in the early 1970's a trust was created in the amount of $100,000 whereby SCOTT was to receive quarterly dividend payments. WEINTAL had owned the house at 3100 R Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. and this house was provided to SCOTT until her death.

[redacted] identified CHARLES BARTLETT as the trustee for WEINTAL's trust and believes based on his review of bank account statements that BARTLETT kept some of the quarterly dividend proceeds for himself rather than passing them on to SCOTT. [redacted] provided a copy of the trust account statement from Mellon Bank, a bank account statement held jointly at Riggs Bank by BARTLETT and SCOTT, the originating trust and miscellaneous other documentation. b6 b7C

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monitor SCOTT's finances. BARTLETT had concerns that [redacted] may have been stealing money from SCOTT's accounts.

BARTLETT estimated the annual payments to SCOTT would have been $10,000 at the most. He noted the life of the trust ended with SCOTT's death and the principal monies left were to go to Georgetown University. He did not believe responsibility for stealing money could be developed against any individual involved with this matter.

On 1/7/97, SA [redacted] telephonically contacted [redacted] b6 b7C residence: [redacted] Washington, D.C., telephone number: [redacted] work telephone number: [redacted] date of birth: [redacted] social security account number: [redacted] advised she did not know much about the quarterly dividend payments SCOTT received from the trust fund. [redacted] stated she became aware that SCOTT had listed her name jointly on some bank accounts but [redacted] denied any knowledge of the bank account activity. [redacted] stated she felt SCOTT may have had money stolen from her by BARTLETT or [redacted] because SCOTT had no money. [redacted] could not identify a specific transaction or transfer of funds which would prove any theft of funds. She expressed no knowledge about how the trust was set up or what happened to the remaining assets in the trust upon SCOTT's death.

This mater was discussed with AUSA [redacted] of b6 b7C the USAO in D.C. on 1/9/97. AUSA [redacted] declined any prosecutive interest in the matter given that 1) SCOTT has died and is not able to identify if given transactions were thefts or gifts 2) the quarterly dividend payments were of relative small value per year (less than $10,000) 3) there has been no specific identification of transactions which were stolen, there is only a general feeling by some that SCOTT had no money. It is requested this matter be indexed for the zero file and not opened.

[redacted] identified a companion of SCOTT, [redacted] who may have also stolen monies from SCOTT. [redacted] identified a number (6 to 10) of checks from the Riggs Bank account which were payable to [redacted] for a nominal amount (around $100). [redacted] stated he believed the value of the trust should have been more than the approximate $250,000 noted on the most recent statement. He could not identify a specific transaction which he believed BARTLETT to have stolen money from SCOTT. It was pointed out to [redacted] that the trust was set up in the original will of WEINTAL to have the dividends go to SCOTT and the original principal would go to Georgetown University upon SCOTT's death.

On 12/19/96, SA [redacted] spoke telephonically with [redacted] b6 b7C
[redacted] an assistant in the trust department of Mellon Bank, 1735 Market Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, telephone number (215) 553-4744. [redacted] advised she worked directly for [redacted] the EDWARD WEINTAL trust account. She confirmed CHARLES BARTLETT is the trustee on the account and Mellon Bank administers the account in accordance with BARTLETT's instructions. [redacted] advised the trust account has a current value of approximately $256,000 and quarterly dividend payments went to SCOTT totaling $8,421 during the 1996 calendar year. She advised BARTLETT had recently requested $7,500 for funeral related expenses of SCOTT.

[redacted] was not aware of any irregularities regarding b6
the trust account. On 12/20/96, SA [redacted] spoke with [redacted] and b7C
he reiterated he was not aware of any irregularities. [redacted] noted that upon receiving instructions to disburse the quarterly dividend payments from BARTLETT, he did not know what happened to the funds subsequent to their disbursement.

On 1/6/97, SA [redacted] spoke telephonically with CHARLES BARTLETT, residence: 4615 W Street, N.W., Washington, date of birth: 8/14/21, regarding the trust set up by WEINTAL for SCOTT. BARTLETT acknowledged WEINTAL was an old friend and business associate and that he was one of two trustees. The other trustee died several years ago. The original trust was worth $100,000 and the quarterly dividend payments were to be paid to SCOTT. Throughout most of the life of the trust, BARTLETT had little involvement with the trust other than directing Mellon Bank to disburse the quarterly dividend payments to SCOTT.

In approximately February, 1996, BARTLETT became aware of allegations relatives and/or companions of SCOTT were stealing her dividend payments. At that time BARTLETT had his name added to a joint account with SCOTT at Riggs Bank and attempted to